

fully selected pupils, who will enter the School for Nursing, Presbyterian Hospital, New York City."

We must add that the difficulty in securing trained nurses in the Balkan War was not the fault of English nurses, who were only too anxious that their services should be utilized, but resulted from their exclusion from the units sent out by the British Red Cross Society.

We reproduce, from our contemporary, pictures of the American Red Cross Nurse in indoor and outdoor uniforms, which are both practical and charming. They appear on pages 176 and 177.

Miss Lillian L. White, in a paper on "Registries," presented at the Eleventh Annual Convention of the Californian State Nurses' Association, and fully reported in the *Pacific Coast Journal of Nursing*, emphasises the importance of these Registries, answering to Nurses' Co-operations in this country, being loyally supported. She writes:—

"Young nurses newly graduated seem to think all they need is to keep in touch with physicians who have shown a friendly interest in their training school, and I believe that many of the physicians do, from a generous spirit, see that many of these young nurses are provided with their 'first case,' and even a second and third; but remember from this point of view that each year many more young nurses are coming out from the hospitals with equal claims on the generosity of these same physicians, and our young nurse, not having let her light shine so that other physicians might see her good work, is now appealing to a registry which she has not helped make into a very good one, and consequently physicians do not care to call upon it; our erstwhile confident young nurse, supplanted by more recent graduates, is now wondering why she gets no calls from the registry. This nurse, and she is only one of many, might have helped to make the registry a fount of usefulness to herself and the nurses in the community."

The Dewsbury Board of Guardians have decided to join a scheme for the standardization of the curriculum for the training and examination of nurses in poor law infirmaries in the country. One member of the Board questioned the advisability of adopting such a stringent resolution, and thought the nurses would be able to command a higher salary, and the Board would not be able to deal with the nurses just as it liked.

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It is wonderful what capacity and industry can achieve within one short week. As a practical illustration no better example could be found than the Territorial Hospital established in Cormont Road, Camberwell, where St. Gabriel's College has been taken over by the military authorities, and, with an adjacent building, is being transformed into No. 1 General Hospital of the Territorial Force Nursing Service, a use plainly indicated by the Red Cross flag which floats in the breeze at the entrance, by the orderlies in khaki on duty, and in the building by the grey and scarlet uniforms and Army caps of the nursing staff. The orderly mind, whose pleasure it is to evolve order out of chaos, is in evidence on all sides in the neat rows of beds ready for the reception of sick and wounded from the front, in the well-stocked cupboards, the group of Sisters and nurses busily employed in padding splints, and preparing other necessary appliances. That is what is implied in the mobilization of a Territorial Hospital. One of the chief needs of a building adapted for hospital purposes is an additional supply of baths, and increased sanitary facilities, and this work is being rapidly carried out.

The hospital has a handsome, substantial-looking frontage, and is excellently placed on sloping ground, and although so near the crowded streets of Camberwell, it stands apart in spacious grounds, overlooking green trees and well-kept tennis courts. The wards are large, airy, and spacious, and by a curious coincidence the cubicles of the students recently in possession number just over 90, while the nursing staff of the hospital is 92 all told. The hospital is also fortunate in its beautiful chapel, served by the clergy of the neighbouring church of St. John the Divine, Kennington.

The hospital is unique amongst Territorial hospitals in drawing its medical and nursing staff entirely from the medical staff and certificated nurses of one hospital—St. Bartholomew's—at their head, as Principal Matron, being Miss Cox Davies, Matron of the Royal Free Hospital, gold medallist of the school, and one of the most distinguished of the pupils of the late Miss Isla Stewart, the first Organizing (Principal) Matron of the hospital, and upon whom devolved the work of building up the nursing staff when the Service was first formed.

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